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For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING SUBUNIT PEPTIDE

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Group Art Unit: 1646

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## Third Request for First Office Action (in duplicate)

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The Patent Office is respectfully requested to advise the undersigned of the approximate date a first Official Action will be issued in this Application.

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